



BLM Colorado Accomplishments • 2015

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Recreation

- About 20 percent of BLM Colorado's public lands are managed specifically for recreation and tourism, including 1 million acres of National Conservation Lands.
- Finished the Gore Canyon Whitewater Park on the Colorado River through a partnership with Grand County.

National Conservation Lands

- After more than a decade of community support and involvement, President Obama designated Browns Canyon National Monument in the Upper Arkansas River Valley.

Energy

- BLM Colorado manages about 41 percent (or 27.1 million acres) of the total mineral subsurface acreage in the state.
- Consolidated oil and gas operations from five offices into two to ensure that experienced and dedicated interdisciplinary teams can focus solely on managing oil and gas.
- In Fiscal Year 2015, Colorado received about \$247 million from royalties, rentals and bonus bid payments for all federal minerals. Statewide, more than 22,900 jobs are tied to mineral and energy development on public lands.

Lands

- Worked with the Western Rivers Conservancy and the Yampa River Legacy Partnership to acquire the Hubbard Summer Camp at Sarvis Creek along the the Yampa River using LWCF money.

Youth

- Expanded partnership with the Colorado Youth Corps Association, funding 19 youth corps projects totaling 59 weeks of work and more than 1,600 hours of environmental education.
- BLM Colorado is currently employing four students through the Arrupe Jesuit High School Corporate Work Study Program partnership.

Volunteers

- In 2015, 3,875 volunteers donated 198,775 hours at an estimated value of \$4,585,733.

Planning

- BLM Colorado issued records of decision for the Grand Junction, Kremmling, Tres Rios and Colorado River Valley Resource Management Plans and White River plan amendment.
- Initiated the Eastern Colorado Resource Management Plan, which will be the first landscape-level project to use all Planning 2.0 concepts.

